ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Embodiments of the present invention relate to an implementation of a platform independent plug-in to enable the execution of applications, for example applets, in a host application. In one or more embodiments of the present invention, a plug-in comprises a plug-in API (Application Programming Interface). A host application, for example a web browser, interacts with the plug-in through this interface. An executable launcher is integrated into the plug-in using this interface. In one or more embodiments of the present invention, the executable launcher plays Java applets and JavaBean Components. In one or more embodiments of the present invention, the plug-in is implemented in the Java language. In one or more embodiments of the present invention, the executable launcher is implemented in the Java language.

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